

Newcastle East Public School

Week Eight, Term Three, Tuesday, September 1st, 2015 Edition One Hundred and Forty-seven

Book Week Parade



We dressed up last week for the Book Week Parade, and even the teachers joined in. This very cute and creative class is just one of our enthusiastic groups to parade, and it's fun to try to pick their outfits, and match them to a book. Our thanks to parents who took so much trouble with costumes, giving our students a memorable day!

State Drama Festival – Report by The Actors



We do drama each Tuesday at Jesmond High School, and we created a play on the theme of "potatoes". We performed it last Monday at the Hunter Drama Festival, at the Civic Playhouse. We have lots of different parts in it, like couch potatoes, Grade A potatoes, the potato blight, the potato song, etc. The Grade B potatoes are the "bogans", while the Grade A potatoes are posh. We got into State Drama Festival, to be held in Sydney at the Seymour Centre, University of Sydney. Our costume is a potato sack! In the picture, we are being the different grades of potatoes.

By Luka and Albi, cast members, Under The Skin

Celebrate Fathers' Day Friday at 8am

Fresh warm croissants, fruit, juice, tea and coffee will all be available this Friday for dads, served lovingly on the school's front veranda, bathed in warm sunshine (we hope) and good cheer. We hope you can join us for this P and C organised event. There will be a small charge to cover costs. Carers welcome too!



Disco Thursday 10th - Jump the Queue, Pre-Pay for tickets with credit card!

Keep it in mind – next Thursday, the 10th, from 5.30 to 7.30.

Tickets will be available online or at the door, with a separate “express” lane for pre-pays.

Here is the link: <http://www.trybooking.com/IYGN>

It's just \$5 for a single ticket, or \$20 for a family.



Battle for Australia

Senior students will be part of the ceremony for the Battle for Australia 70th anniversary tomorrow at Fort Scratchley. With members of the public invited, this will be a chance for our seniors to speak at an important public gathering, to form the Guard of Honour for visitors, and to see the guns of the Fort fired.

Super Fish! Heidi at State

After a final training session with local Olympian Thomas Fraser-Holmes (see the picture), an inspired Heidi spent the weekend in Sydney, competing in the NSW State Age Championships. She produced some outstanding swims, and recorded a number of PBs. Heidi had an exceptional swim in the 100m Breaststroke swimming from the slowest heat, she managed to take 6.3 seconds off her PB and secure herself a finals position, finishing 8th outright.

Heidi is having a well-deserved rest this week before resuming her training program. Her next goal is to compete in a 2.5km Open Water swim in Penrith in October.



DVD Sales – School's Fabulous Musical Production

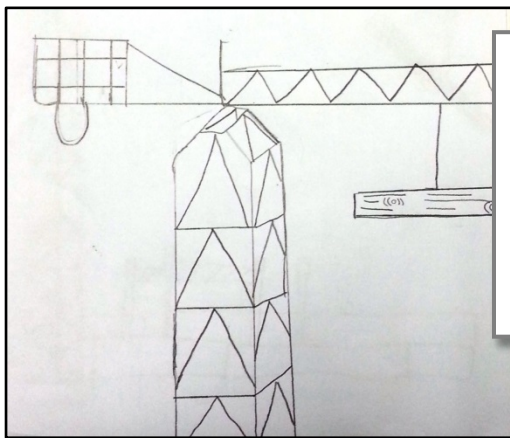
Still possible to purchase a copy of our Cinderella & Rockerfella DVD, by paying just \$20 at the school office. Recording was made for us by two enthusiastic non-professional students, but it is a great record of such a sensational night. This would be a great gift idea for family unable to see the show!

Financial Hardship and School Support

Policy at NEPS is that no student is denied access to any event due to the parent's inability to pay, owing to financial pressure. Our school has made considerable demands of parents this year, for excursions, performances, and fees, and I am aware that this can make life hard for parents. The school budgets every year to cover these genuine cases, and to access support, in a completely confidential manner, you need only contact me directly, either by ringing the office or emailing me at john.beach@det.nsw.edu.au

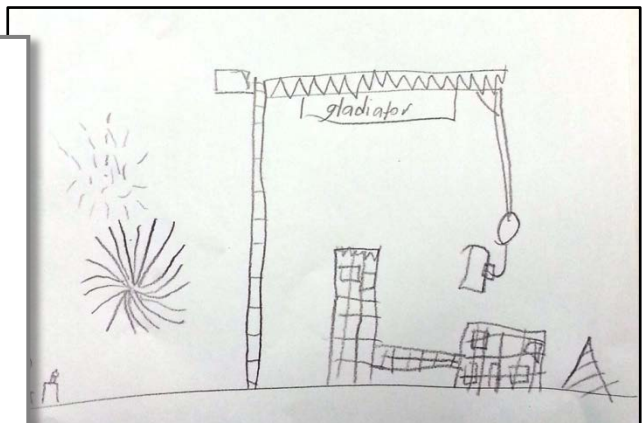
Funding for financial hardship is limited, however, and must be restricted to genuine cases. Many families at NEPS make an arrangement to pay accounts weekly, over time, which is greatly appreciated. If you still have school fee or text book money owing, please make an effort to pay, or contact me for assistance. We have experienced a very bad winter for absences by both pupils and staff, and since we must cover the cost of all casual teachers when staff call in sick, our coffers are severely depleted.

Naming the Construction Crane at the Uni's NeW Building – Class 4H Language Activity



I think that you should call the crane Krachtig because in Dutch it means powerful and cranes are powerful.
Bv Lilli Guihot

Ibsen McGilvray I'd name the tower crane GLADIATOR, because it means strength and power, and Gladiators fight for victory like a crane without fighting.



Graffiti and Bullying at NEPS

It is very rare that our school has a graffiti incident, but this last week such an incident has occurred. A reminder that bullying is not tolerated at the school, nor is making nasty comments about others in writing. At issue are the destruction of school property, demeaning of other students, and spreading rumours. While we can't always effect a permanent, long-term "cure" for every bullying situation, the school does make every effort to eliminate it from our playground and classrooms. Our Student Welfare Policy contains more information about measures to report and combat bullying.

Canteen

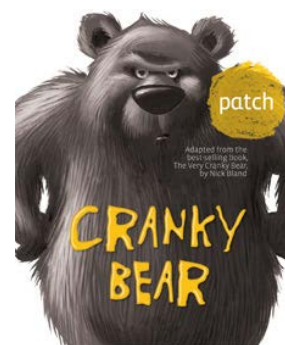
Week 8	31st Aug Chris Baker Peter Miles	2nd Sep CLOSED	4th Sep Mel Pegg Cherry Connew
Week 9	7th Sep Chris Wright Greg Warbuton	9th Sep CLOSED	11th Sep Lisa Marshall Helen Cossettini
Week 10	14th Sep Penny Coakes Cherry Connew	16th Sep CLOSED	18th Sep 2 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Very Cranky Bear Excursion

Next Tuesday, September 8th, **all students** in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 will be walking to the Civic Theatre to attend the Patch Theatre Company's rendition of 'The Very Cranky Bear'. This play is all about learning to achieve happiness by ironing out the grumps and getting over small upsets in life.

Zebra, Lion and Moose each think they know how to solve the Bear's crankiness but their shenanigans just make him even crankier! It takes a humble and empathetic Sheep with an open heart and listening ear to solve the Bear's woes.

A group of 25 students have been invited to attend a special drama workshop in the NEPS library the day before the excursion. These children have worked with Mrs Miller in making animal costumes from newspaper and will use the costumes to improvise their own skits with members of the Patch Theatre Company. The 25 students were selected by their class teachers to participate in the workshop.



Term Three Planner

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
13 JULY Premier's Spelling List Published	14 Students resume	15 Whole School Assembly	16	17
20 NEPS Public Speaking Final	21 Musical Rehearsal COLA	22 Stage Assembly Musica Viva Sousaphonics Bandlink	23 Dancefest Bandlink	24 Zone Athletics-Track
27 EDUCATION WEEK	28 Zone Athletics- Field ICAS English Yrs. 3-4 '26 Storey Treehouse' Civic Theatre	29 Musical dress rehearsal + photography All day No assembly	30	31
3 August Police Talk Public Speaking ES1 Garden Suburb	4 Public Speaking St 1 Stockton 12 noon	5 Stage Assembly Public Speaking Stage 3 Zone Soldiers Point	6 Stage 2 Zone PS Musical all day rehearsal at NGS PERFORMANCE	7
10	11	12 Newcastle High Taster Lessons Whole School Assembly	13	14 Write On submissions to Mr Beach- Y1-6
17	18 Premiers Spelling Bee – school final	19 Train-on debating Stage assembly	20	21 Train-on debating Water Safety Lessons
24 Book Week	25 Book Week Parade 2pm	26 Newcastle Perm. Maths Comp. Book Week lessons- Yr 6 12.15pm No	27 Infants Library visit?	28
31	1 September	2 Stage Assembly	3 Pet Visit KM & KT	4
7	8 Yrs K-2 'Cranky Bear' Civic Theatre Premier's Spelling Bee Regional Final	9 Whole School Assembly	10 Science & Engineering Y 5/6 Regional Public Speaking Disco- Band running	11
14	15	16 School Camp 3-6 Stage Assembly	17 School Camp Years 3 and 4 return	18 School Camp Years 5 and 6 return

Term Four Planner

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
5 October Public Holiday	6 Students resume	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30
2 November	3	4	5	6
9	10	11 State Final Premiers Spelling Bee	12	13
16	17 NHS + Feeder Schools Town Hall Performance	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30 Captains Speeches	1 December	2	3	4
7	8	9	10 Year 6 Dinner	11
14	15	16 Last day for students	17 SDD	18 SDD



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MILO In2CRICKET – 5 to 8 Years (Starts 16 th Oct 2015)	FEE: \$90.00
MiloT20 BLAST – 7 to 12 Years (Starts 26 th Oct 2015)	FEE: \$109.00
TONKIN TENS for U11's (Starts 10 th Oct 2015)	FEE: \$190.00
30 OVER Cricket for U11 to U16/17 (Starts 10 th Oct 2015)	FEE: \$190.00

For a second family member the fee will reduce by \$20 and for a third the fee will reduce by \$80 (Does not apply to Milo In2Cricket & T20 Blast). There are no further weekly costs to you. Training and match shirt provided, new match ball every week and umpires fees included. Payment either by Direct Deposit/ Cash/ Cheque/ Online.



REGISTRATION DAYS

DATE	VENUE	TIME
Wednesday's: 19 th & 26 th Aug	King St McDonalds	4:30 – 6:00 pm
Friday's: 28 th Aug & 4 th Sept	Admin Building, No.1 Sportsground	4:30 – 6:00 pm

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